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**Request  
For  
Continued Examination (RCE)  
Transmittal**

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<i>Application Number</i>	09/508254
<i>Filing Date</i>	October 2, 2000
<i>First Named Inventor</i>	Marc F. Charette
<i>Art Unit</i>	1647
<i>Examiner Name</i>	R. M. Deberry
<i>Attorney Docket Number</i>	JJJ-P01-558

**This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.**

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application.

1. **Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114** Note: If the RCE is proper, any previously filed unentered amendments and amendments enclosed with the RCE will be entered in the order in which they were filed unless applicant instructs otherwise. If applicant does not wish to have any previously filed unentered amendment(s) entered, applicant must request non-entry of such amendment(s).

a.  Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.

i.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

ii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply      iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)      iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Fees** The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 18-1945

i.  RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)

ii.  Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ enclosed

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT REQUIRED**

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In re Patent Application of:  
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Confirmation No. 9595

Application No.: 09/508254

Art Unit: 1647

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Examiner: R. M. Deberry

For: SYNERGISTIC EFFECTS OF OP/BMP  
MORPHOGENS AND GDNF/NGF  
NEUROTROPHIC FACTORS

August 12, 2004

**AMENDMENT TO ACCOMPANY**  
**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is filed to accompany the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) being concurrently filed. A Notice of Appeal was filed on January 12, 2004. Thus, the next deadline for taking action was March 12, 2004. A Petition for a five-month extension of time is filed concurrently herewith. Therefore, the next deadline for taking action is August 12, 2004. Accordingly, this Amendment is being timely filed.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.